

MYSTERIOUS STRANGLER OF "DEATH LANE" SCORES AGAIN



Anna Markowitz, Horribly Killed by the Mysterious Man-Gorilla of "Death Lane."

Dayton, Ohio, August 12.—On the outskirts of Dayton is a wooded spot—bathed in human blood—that is more to be dreaded by women and young girls than the darkest areas of Africa.

So many are the hideous crimes committed along its shady paths that the place has become known as "Death Lane."

After dark it is the hiding place of some unknown beast in human form, whose fiendish delight is to pounce upon innocent and helpless victims.

Pretty Anna Markowitz was the last to fall into the clutches of this mysterious man-gorilla. With the death of Abraham Cohen, her companion, the crime becomes a double murder, intensified in horror by the assault alleged to have been committed upon the young woman before she was strangled.

Cohen, a traveling salesman, had gone for a stroll with the Markowitz sisters, Anna and Bertha. They were seated in a grove near the Soldiers' Home. As the three chatted together pleasantly two shots were heard. Cohen ran to the road. He fell fatally wounded by two bullets. An unknown monster rushed upon the girls. Bertha fled until she sank unconscious to the ground.

Strangled. Anna was found, strangled to death, and mutilated. Evidence pointed to a fearful struggle. The clothing had been nearly torn from her body. The arms were crowded down over the eyes, as if to shut out a horrible picture.

Last fall the bruised form of beautiful Dona Gillman was found only a short distance away, and within the last several weeks there have been three other assaults in the same vicinity.

Who is this mysterious strangler

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VALLES IS ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF MURDER

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closed the examination of Valles by having him deny substantially all the material evidence adduced by the territory during the entire trial. Valles' demeanor on the witness stand was the same displayed at the bar—impassable and devoid of expression. No animation; only the mere moving of the lips to answer questions and the snapping of his eyes. His face was a swarthy mask of defiance.

The cross examination of the witness merely ascertained that he was 41 years of age and was born in Mexico, and after coming to New Mexico, lived at La Joya, Sabinal and Progresso. The testimony of Valles closed the case for the defense.

Territory's Rebuttal.

The territory introduced but two witnesses in rebuttal. H. C. Bennett was recalled to give testimony regarding a stolen mare found in possession of Valles, and Julius Meyers, of the mounted police, was recalled to give expert testimony regarding foot prints. Mr. Meyers stated that a foot would make foot prints of different sizes according to the nature of the ground trod on and the gait being traveled.

Arguments. District Attorney Clancy opened the arguments by paying the deceased a glowing tribute. He spoke of the deceased's public and private life and of his own personal respect and affection for him. The speaker referred to the deceased as the champion of the race to which he belonged and paid tribute to his efficient public career as superintendent of public instruction, and as a vigorous enemy of wrongdoers. The district attorney then reviewed the case from beginning to end, as put forth by the territory. It was a strong case.

"It used to be a crime to be a citizen of Rome, and truly it was a crime."

These were the words with which Larrazolo opened the most ardent appeal ever made to a jury. In his final address to the jury Prosecutor Clancy referred to it as a magnificent display of oratorical eloquence.

Mr. Larrazolo's resume of the case of the defense was equally as eloquent and masterly as the oratorical effort which preceded it.

He told the jury to look into their hearts for their minds and let their conscience guide them in finding whether or not the defendant was guilty and deprive of him his liberty, his life.

In his final argument, Prosecutor Clancy again dwelt in kindly measures upon the life of the deceased, Colonel Chaves, and attacked in the most vigorous manner the argument of the defense.

The prosecution consumed an hour in its opening address and two hours and thirty minutes in its closing address.

Attorney Larrazolo spoke continually for over two hours.

Defense's Alibi. The Friday morning session opened with Attorney Larrazolo outlining in a brief statement to the jury the line the defense expected to pursue in proving an alibi for the defendant.

The first evidence offered by the defense was a small bit given by Procampo Cordova, a witness for the territory, made at the preliminary hearing of Valles, in which the witness said that he had seen Valles in October, the morning after the killing, with reference to a horse. At the present hearing Cordova said that he did not think that he gave such testimony, but went to the Salas home for a different purpose.

The first witness offered for the defense was Manuel Sanchez, Sanchez was a shoemaker, of the new county of Torrance and was present when Valles was arrested.

The witness examined the 44 caliber rifle offered by the territory, and being found across the Valles home when Valles was arrested, and said that it was not the rifle that he saw at the Valles home.

The witness was not cross examined by the territory.

F. E. Dunleavy was called by the defense to show that Valles made frequent visits to Progresso regarding a contract for hauling hay.

Mr. Dunleavy was conducting a store at Willard in November, 1904, and sold Valles a hay baling machine. The defense's next witness was Esperidion Lueras, a resident of Progresso.

The witness testified that he had made a contract with Valles on the 20th of November, 1904, for hauling hay, the defense by this evidence attempting to show that Valles had been to Progresso on business concerning this contract.

On the cross examination the territory asked the witness if he had not been convicted of sheep stealing in the district court of Socorro county, and that the prosecution had been due to Colonel Chaves.

The evidence finally developed that Lueras had been first convicted and then acquitted of sheep stealing.

The next witness was Leonor Sedillo de Lueras, wife of the preceding witness.

The witness testified that she was at the house of Valles the evening of the killing, and saw Valles working in his blacksmith shop by the light of a lantern. The sun had set. After gathering from the witness testimony regarding the alleged accomplices her to and from the Valles home that evening, the counsel asked her the following impeaching question, bearing on the testimony of the territory of the wife of Porcilio Cordova.

On cross examination, Larrazolo had asked the witness if she had told Mrs. Lueras, the present witness, that Valles had remained and slept at her house all night the night Colonel Chaves was killed.

The question was: "Is it not a fact, Mrs. Lueras, that on several occasions during last year and the year before, previous to the return of your husband from the penitentiary, in the speaking of this matter with your sister-in-law, Leonor Lueras, in your own home, you told her that the defendant had remained and slept at your house the night of Saturday, the 26th of November, 1904, and that he remained there all night and never went out?"

The witness answered "yes."

Valles Worked by Lamp Light. At this point in the evidence, which the defense hoped to produce to show that Valles was at home at the hour Colonel Chaves was killed, Jacobo Salazar, a relative of the Lueras by marriage, was put on the stand and testified that Mrs. Lueras did not arrive home that evening from her visit to the Valles ranch until 6:30 o'clock.

The next witness, a brother of Jacobo Sedillo, testified that Jacobo Sedillo was with him all day of the 26th of November, 1904, and slept all night the night Colonel Chaves was killed, in a room with him.

This was an effort to break down the case of the prosecution at that point, where it was shown that Sedillo was at home and sworn to by Valles the evening of the killing.

Mild Surprise. The prosecution sprung a mild sensation on the court at the close of the forenoon session Friday by asking a witness, a step daughter of Larrazolo, if she had seen and talked to Domingo Valles since coming to Estancia. The witness said that she had not talked to Valles since he had been in a hotel, but did not forget about some dates.

The first witness called in the afternoon was Cecilio Xelovetta, a resident of Manzano. The witness said that he had seen Valles in October, thirty days previous to the killing, and Valles told him not to scare Colonel Chaves.

Witness Admits Untruth. "Mrs. Romero, did you not say yesterday at the house of Julius Meyers in the presence of Mrs. Meyers, George W. Armijo and Captain Forchett that Valles, while in a fit of anger against Captain Torres, at the penitentiary, said that you would some day leave some more of these sons of the same as you left Colonel Chaves?" This question asked by District Attorney Clancy and answered in the affirmative by the witness, who added, "but I did not then tell the truth."

This was a thunderbolt from a clear sky to the case of the prosecution. Great reliance had been placed on the testimony of this witness, who was brought from the penitentiary at Santa Fe on Tuesday and sequestered in Estancia to await being called to the witness stand.

The prosecution, however, finally extracted a statement from Romero to the effect that in August, 1905, told Dick Huber and Jimmy Chaves, that Valles had told him that he had killed Colonel Chaves.

Sedillo and Valles. The next witness was Jacobo Sedillo, the man who was indicted with Valles for the murder of Colonel Chaves. Sedillo and Valles were together the evening of the murder. It was suspected that he was an accomplice to the murder, and rode one of the two horses that left the tracks found at the bush near Pinos Wells the morning after the killing.

Valles and Sedillo had not been so close together since the preliminary hearing. The two former pals stared at each other for several moments, Sedillo, who is the younger man, apparently expecting some expression of recognition from Valles. But none came. Valles was too wily. There eyes met repeatedly during the time Sedillo was on the stand, but the expressions were always blank.

Valles keeping his usual pose, having his chin on his hand or twirling his mustache. Sedillo had made statements at different times bearing on the case of the defense, but when placed on the stand proved a very unwilling witness. When present with statements signed by him, Sedillo said that he could not tell whether they were true or not.

In one of these statements, Sedillo said that Valles had asked him to go with him to kill Colonel Chaves.

Another of the statements was to the effect that Valles had told him that Chaves would not live very long and that Valles said that if he (Sedillo) should ever say anything about it, he would kill him.

The other statement was similar to the last.

The prosecution then read a lengthy document, containing questions put to the witness and the witness' answers in which the witness stated that he suspected that Valles did the killing. This document was made in the presence of Judge Mann and Captain Forchett of the mounted police.

Sedillo denied the answers, and said that if he made them, he did not have good sense.

The document was identified by Interpreter Sena and Court Stenographer Prentice and offered as evidence against an objection made by the defense, the objection being overruled by the court.

The statement made by Sedillo in this document was the most vital evidence produced by the prosecution. The prosecution closed its case by having Richard Huber identify a declaration made and sworn to by Sedillo at Santa Fe last May.

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